Case 3:08-cr-02477-W Document 1 Filed 06/27/2008 All Shi AKK FILED JUN **27** 2008 GLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA Magistrate Case Nook MJ 8575 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA COMPLAINT FOR VIOLATION OF Plaintiff, 21 U.S.C. § 952 and 960 v. Importation of a Controlled Luis Alberto VALENZUELA-Rubio,) Substance (Felony) Defendant. The undersigned complainant being duly sworn states: That on or about June 25, 2008, within the Southern District defendant Luis Alberto VALENZUELA-Rubio California, knowingly and intentionally import approximately 19.94 kilograms pounds) of cocaine, a Schedule II Controlled Substance, into the United States from a place outside thereof, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 952 and 960. The complainant states that this complaint is based on the attached Statement of Facts incorporated herein by reference. Special Agent Joe Morquecho, U. Ś. Immigration & Customs Enforcement SWORN TO BEFORE ME AND SUBSCRIBED IN MY PRESENCE, THIS  $27^{\text{TH}}$ 

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WILLIAM MCCURINE, R.
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

Luis Alberto VALENZUELA-Rubio

## STATEMENT OF FACTS

This Statement of Facts is based on the reports, documents, and notes furnished to U. S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Special Agent Joe Morquecho.

On June 25, 2008, at approximately 1330 hours, Luis Alberto VALENZUELA-Rubio (VALENZUELA) entered the United States at the Calexico, California, West Port of Entry. VALENZUELA was the sole occupant driver and registered owner of 1995 Ford Bronco.

Customs Border Protection Officer Mendibles was assigned to primary lanes when VALENZUELA entered his lane. VALENZUELA gave Officer Mendibles a negative oral Customs declaration. VALENZUELA stated he was the owner of the vehicle. Officer Mendibles noted the vehicle's gas tank appeared recently tampered with. Officer Mendibles escorted VALENZUELA and the vehicle to the vehicle secondary lot.

In the vehicle secondary lot, Officer Mendibles requested Canine Enforcement Officer (CEO) Garcia screen the vehicle for contraband with his assigned Narcotic Detector Dog (NDD). CEO Garcia noted his NDD alerted to the vehicle.

A subsequent inspection of the vehicle revealed seventeen (17) packages in the gas tank of the vehicle. Officer Mendibles probed one of the packages and a sample of a white powdery substance was obtained, which field tested positive for cocaine. The seventeen (17) packages had a combined net weight of approximately 19.94 kilograms (43.86 pounds).

VALENZUELA was placed under arrest and advised of his Constitutional Rights, which he acknowledged and waived. VALENZUELA stated he had agreed to smuggle marijuana into the United States from Mexico and he was going to be paid \$3,000.00 to drive the vehicle to an undisclosed location in San Diego, CA.

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